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1. THE POST REQUESTS TWO STAG GRANTS FOR POLITICAL SCIENTISTS TO VISIT BRAZIL FOR MINIMUM 10 DAYS TO MAXIMUM 20 DAYS DURING LATER MARCH-EARLY APRIL TO CONDUCT SERIES OF DISCUSSIONS WITH BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS (INCLUDING OFFICIALS OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY), MILITARY OFFICERS, JOURNALISTS SPECIALIZING IN FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND ACADEMICS. THEMES OF DISCUSSION WOULD BE "THE U.S.'S ROLES IN EAST-WEST RELATIONS" U.S.- CHINESE RELATIONS, AND U.S.- WEST EUROPEAN RELATIONS."

2. THE POST ENVISIONS HOLDING SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION SESSIONS, USING BOTH SPEAKERS IN RIO DE JANEIRO, SAO PAULO, AND BRASILIA. TOTAL TIMEFRAME THESE THREE CITIES WOULD BE FOR 10 DAYS, WITH MINIMUM SEVEN DAYS OF ACTUAL PROGRAMS. FOLLOWING PROGRAMS IN RIO AND SAO PAULO. THE STAGS WOULD SPLIT UP AND GO TO TWO EACH OF SEMINAR POSTS (PORTO ALEGRE, BELO HORIZONTE, SALVADOR AND RECIFE) FOR A ONE OR TWO-DAY PROGRAM AT EACH. THEN THEY WOULD BOTH COME TO BRASILIA. SINCE THE NATIONAL CONGRESS RECONVENES IN EARLY MARCH, PROGRAMMING IN BRASILIA SHOULD BE AT THE END OF THE BRAZIL TOUR.

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3. FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS NEEDED TO CARRY OUT PROGRAM

EFFECTIVELY: A) BOTH STAGS SHOULD VISIT BRAZIL TOGETHER TO HAVE MAXIMUM IMPACT WITH THE TARGET GROUPS LISTED ABOVE. B) ONE SPEAKER SHOULD BE A WELL KNOWN AND RESPECTED FOREIGN AFFAIRS REPORTER/COLUMNIST WHO CAN SPEAK FROM EXPERIENCE TO JOURNALISTS AND SELECTED AUDIENCES. SECOND SPEAKER SHOULD BE AN ACADEMIC WHO IS A WELL-KNOWN EXPERT ON EAST-WEST RELATIONS, HE NEED NOT BE KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT U.S.-LATIN AMERICAN RELATIONS. FAMILIARLY, HOWEVER, WOULD BE USEFUL. C) THE OPTIMUM TIME FOR HOLDING THE PROGRAMS IS BETWEEN MARCH 20 AND APRIL 10, 1974, I.E., BETWEEN OPENING OF CONGRESS AND EASTER. WHILE THE POST COULD PROFIT FROM SHARING INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL EXPENSES WITH OTHER ILA POSTS, WE CONSIDER THIS A TOP-PRIORITY PROGRAM AND WOULD, IF NECESSARY, FUND PART OR ALL OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR THE STAGS IF THIS WOULD ASSURE THE POST'S OBTAINING THE SPEAKERS FOR THE PREFERRED DATES AND TIME REQUIRED. E) POST IS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN EUGENE ROSTOW, ROBERT HUNTER, WILLIAM GRIFFITH AND FOY KOHLER IN THE ACADEMIC CATEGORY; CHALMERS ROBERTS, HENRY TREWHITT OR SOME EQUALLY PROMINENT JOURNALIST/FOREIGN POLICY EXPERT - ONE SPEAKER FOR EACH OF THE CATEGORIES LISTED IN PARAGRAPH 3, ITEM B.

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